

TOWN OF CHESTERTON SERVICE UTILITY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

JULY 17, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Board Members A. Michel, J. Raffin and J. Schnadenberg, Supt. D. Ryan, Council Member Liaison D. Lafata, Clerk- Treasurer S. Kuziela, Town Manager B. Doyle, Attorney C. Parkinson and Secretary D. Schoenfelt. Absent were Member S. McCord, Porter Rep. B. Brueckheimer, Attorney C. Nolan and Engineer M. O'Dell.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

J. Schnadenberg moved to approve the minutes of the June 19, 2017 meeting, seconded by J. Raffin, approved by unanimous voice vote.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

J. Raffin moved to approve the claims as presented, seconded by J. Schnadenberg, approved by unanimous voice vote.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – None

Superintendent's Report

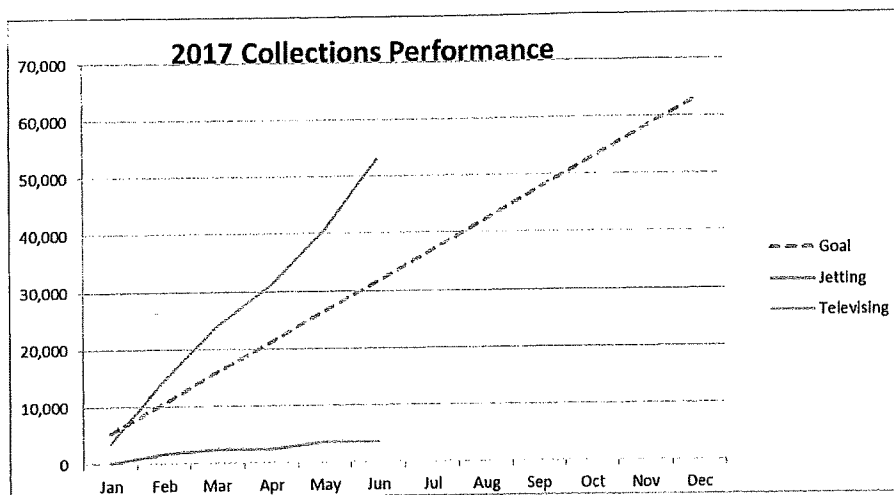
Administration

1. Major service on the Centrifuge was completed 6/21. Went very well with no bad findings.
2. The Lab will be receiving the IWEA Laboratory Excellence Award during the IWEA conference on August 24th. I will be at the conference and will attend the awards luncheon to accept it.
3. The permit for the landfilling of bio solids and collection system debris has been renewed.
4. Research for a new Vac truck is still in progress. We are waiting on one more demo, possibly this week.
5. Our Vac truck was back in service on Thursday evening 7/6 after many months of down time.
6. I am researching several options for our billing process that will create internal efficiencies and provide convenience for our customers. These include:
 - a. Automatic draft payment for customers to pay bills (ACH).
 - b. Electronic bank pay functionality.
 - c. Add Zip+4 and postal bar coding to our late notices.

7. Our new Lab Chief is scheduled to start today, 7/17. Her name is Leah Leimbacher. She brings a wealth of lab experience to our Utility. She has a BS degree in Biology with a minor in Chemistry. I look forward to Leah being a great addition to our team.

Collections

1. There were no pump failures this month, with the exception of a residential pump in Fox Chase that was under warranty.
2. We poured a concrete bottom in a manhole on west Texas St. in preparation for spraying
3. We televised 12,471 feet. Jetting will return now that we have the Vac truck back.
4. The camera crew has been taping in Westwood.
5. We completed 315 locates and 16 inspections.



Treatment

1. Expansion Related/Warranty Work
 - a. Grit removal equipment changes are needed to automatically restart equipment after power interruptions. We also need the unit to automatically adjust to wet weather flows. Unit pump #2 trips out when run in soft start mode. Gasvoda & Sweeny are now looking into this.
2. Streamlined Mercury Minimization/Variance Program
 - a. Continuing to meet the annual requirements. Sampling and testing for Mercury in the wastewater collection system will resume this summer.
3. Maintenance Tasks
 - a. #5 Aeration tank has been cleaned, inspected and is back on line. Thanks to the Street Department for their assistance with personnel and a vac truck during the absence of our vac truck.
 - b. Due to the clogging of the grit conveyer with sludge it was necessary to drain, clean and inspect the unit. It was back on line the same day.

